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SUBJECT: JOINT COMMISSION ON FOREIGN ASSISTANCE TO HAITI

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1. IDB LOCAL REP HENRI SCIOVILLE-SAMPER HOSTED MEETING WEDNESDAY, 25 MAY, OF ALL DONOR RESIDENT REPS AND VISITING IBRD OFFICER GEORGE HOMSI, TO MEET WITH VISITING IDB DESK OFFICER LUIS PRADO. BOREL REPRESENTED OAS AT REQUEST OF ACTING OAS REP ROY. ALTHOUGH MEETING BILLED AS OPPORTUNITY TO MEET IDB VISITOR, PRINCIPAL PURPOSE WAS TO ENCOURAGE DEVELOPMENT OF JOINT DONOR POSITION TOWARD JOINT COMMISSION MEETING, AND TO ENCOURAGE AND ASSIST OAS IN PREPARATIONS FOR A MEANINGFUL DIALOGUE AT UPCOMING MEETING BETWEEN GOH AND DONOR REPS.

2. DURING COURSE OF MEETING, IDB DESK OFFICER INFORMED GATHERING OF OAS PLAN (REFTEL) TO ASK GOH TO REPORT PRIOR TO JUNE MEETING ON STEPS IT HAS TAKEN IN RESPONSE TO OCTOBER JOINT COMMISSION MEETING REQUESTS. IDB DESK OFFICER COULD NOT PROVIDE DETAILS BUT CONFIRMED ARRIVAL RESTREPO NEXT WEEK. SCIOVILLE PROPOSED AND DONOR REPS AGREED TO REQUEST MEETING WITH RESTREPO NEXT WEEK (TUESDAY MORNING, 0900, MAY 31) PRIOR TO LATTER'S TALKS WITH GOH.

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3. DONOR REPS PRESENT AT MEETING WERE PLEASED BY OAS INITIATIVE. HOWEVER, THEY WERE UNANIMOUS IN BELIEVING THAT IN VIEW OF SHORTNESS OF TIME PRIOR TO JOINT COMMISSION MEETING, RESTREPO SHOULD PLAN TO STAY IN PORT AU PRINCE UNTIL HE HAS OBTAINED THE RESPONSE REQUIRED. GOH BUREAUCRACY TURNS OVER VERY SLOWLY AT

BEST, IT WILL NEED RESTREPO'S CONSTANT ENCOURAGEMENT
AND THE TWO KEY OFFICIALS (BROS AND ANDRE) WILL BE
ABSENT AT IDB MEETING GUATEMALA UNTIL JUNE 2. RESTREPO
DEPARTURE JUNE 3 WOULD EFFECTIVELY BE EMPTY HANDED.

ACTION REQUESTED: THAT RESTREPO BE ADVISED OF DIFFICULTIES
IN GETTING RESPONSE OUT OF GOH AND THAT HE BE URGED TO STAY
ON LONG ENOUGH TO GET THE JOB DONE. ARRIVAL 30TH STILL ESSENTIAL,
HOWEVER, FOR NECESSARY PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS CONADEP.

4. DEPENDING ON NATURE OF OAS LETTER, DONOR REPS ARE
CONSIDERING SENDING A) JOINT LETTER TO GOH OR B) BILATERAL
LETTERS TO GOH OR C) COMBINATION OF BOTH OUTLINING THEIR
VIEWS ON DONOR PROGRAMS AND PROBLEMS, AND ENDORSING OAS
REQUEST. CONTENT AND TIMING OF SUCH AN APPROACH TO BE
DISCUSSED EARLY NEXT WEEK. INTERESTINGLY ENOUGH, NORMALLY
RESERVED IMF REP SUGGESTED LATTER APPROACH AS MOST EFFECTIVE
WAY TO MAKE GOH TAKE NOTICE SINCE HE THINKS GOH WILL
BE INHIBITED BY PUBLIC NATURE OF JOINT COMMISSION
MEETING FROM FRANK DISCUSSION.

5. WITH REFERENCE TO IMF STUDY OF HAITIAN FINANCIAL
SYSTEM, IMF REP ACKNOWLEDGED ITS EXISTENCE BUT
INDICATED RULES OF IMF NORMALLY WOULD NOT ALLOW ITS
DISTRIBUTION OUTSIDE IMF-GOH CHANNELS.

6. WILL ADVISE FURTHER AFTER DISCUSSIONS EARLY
NEXT WEEK.

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